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fare of the country, as this No doubt, in the light of the new day, with its new understandings, the problem of the railroads will also be met and dealt with in a spirit of candor and justice."

When the first citizen of the land stresses the import-

ance of understanding and dealing justly with the rall-roads, certainly the American plowman can venture upon a careful study of the problem. C. E. Schaff, president of the M. K. & T. rallway company, when asked to outline the relation of the public to rallroads investments, said in part:

'It may be said that the railroad world is encumbered with a lot of phantoms which exist only in the popular fancy. For instance, because there have been a few so-called 'railroad magnates' whose names have figured there have been a few so-called 'railroad magnates' whose names have figured prominently in finance, many people have come to believe that the railroads of the country are largely owned by a few rich men. As a matter of fact nothing could be farther from the truth. Out of the colossal sum of twenty billion dollars of American railroad securities, less than five per cent is now, or ever has been in the hands of these men who have figured prominently in the newspaper beadlines—while the other 95 per cent is in the hands of over two million investors, large and small, who in many instances have put the modest savings of a lifetime into these securities in order that they might lay away a competency for old age. When, therefore, the value of these securities is depressed or perchance destroyed, the hardship is a hundred-fold greater upon thousands of every-day citizens, than upon the bandful of millionaires, good or bad, who have figured prominently in railroad circles. Hundreds of millions of dollars of the assets of our great life and fire

Hundreds of millions of dollars of the assets of our great life and fire insurance companies, savings banks, trust companies, educational and fiduciary Institutions are invested in railroad bonds—and the moment, therefore, that the soundness of these bonds is called into question the financial solidity of these myriad institutions—directly affecting the welfare of millions of policy-holders and hank depositors—is gravely menaced. During the last several years, many millions of dollars representing depreciated values, have been charged off the books of concerns like those enumerated above. American railroads have become a vital part of the very woof and fabric of the nation. Their continued efficiency is absolutely essential to the smallest community

In blindly striking at the raffroads our blows fall not merely upon thousands who have committed no wrong, but, in the last analysis, upon ourselves We should remember how interdependent we have come to be in this mighty republic of ours—that each is in truth become more and more his brother's keeper, and that we need to act and think circumspectly, lest in our mistaken zeal we destroy those who, like ourselves, need whatever of this world's goods the toil and sweat of years has bequeathed to them."

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